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SOVIET FARM SUPPLY OFFICES CUT PRICES;
DEVELOP NEW MACHINES FOR COTTON GROWING

LOWER PRICES ON AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY -- Minsk, Sovetskaya Belorussiya,
 31 Jan 52

Belsel'khoznab (Office of Agricultural Supply Belorussian SSR) announces
 that the prices of all agricultural machines, spare parts, and equipment have
 been lowered considerably, effective 1 January 1952. Horse plows, harrows, hil-
 lers, grain drills, cultivators, and fodder processing machines are available.

Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 22 Feb 52

Litsel'khoznab (Office of Agricultural Supply Lithuanian SSR) announces
 that the prices of all agricultural machines, spare parts, and equipment have
 been lowered considerably, effective 1 January 1952. Horse plows, harrows, hil-
 lers, grain drills, flax seeders, cultivators, sorters, and grain and flax grad-
 ers are available.

SET 1951 GOALS FOR FARM MACHINERY OUTPUT -- Moscow, Pravda, 7 Nov 51

In 1951, the USSR agricultural economy will receive 137,000 tractors (in
 terms of 15-horsepower tractors), 54,000 grain combines (29,000 of them self-
 propelled), and 2 million other agricultural machines and implements.

Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 29 Sep 51

Enterprises in Tashkent and Tashkent Oblast have assumed the following
 obligations for the remainder of 1951.

Enterprises of the Ministry of Agricultural Machine Building: To fulfill
 the 1951 plan for gross production ahead of time, to turn out above-plan pro-
 duction worth 27,733,000 rubles, and to increase labor productivity 10 percent.

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Uzbeksel'mash Plant: To complete the 1951 plan ahead of time and to turn out by the end of 1951 above-plan production worth 2 million rubles, including 400 trench diggers, and 100 seeders. To reduce production costs 5 percent, to increase labor productivity 10 percent, and to save 6 million rubles above the plan.

Tashsel'mash Plant imeni Voroshilov: To complete the 1951 plan for gross production ahead of time, to turn out above-plan production worth 24 million rubles, to increase labor productivity 9 percent, to save 3.5 million rubles above the plan, and to save 1,400 tons of metal and 500 tons of fuel by the end of 1951.

Chirchiksel'mash Plant. To complete the 1951 plan ahead of time, to turn out above-plan production worth 1,733,000 rubles, to lower the production cost of goods 3.2 percent, to increase labor productivity 5 percent, and to save 250 tons of steel castings.

PLANT CUTS COSTS, BOOSTS OUTPUT -- Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 29 Dec 51

The Tashkent Uzbeksel'mash Plant fulfilled its 1951 plan by 100.1 percent on 27 December. Plant workers have promised to turn out 900,000 rubles worth of above-plan production by the end of 1951.

Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 13 Jan 52

A conveyor put into operation at the Uzbeksel'mash Plant will make it possible to double the output of cast parts and reduce production costs 10 percent. In 1951, the plant doubled the output of agricultural machines for cotton growing.

In the first 11 days of January 1952, the Uzbeksel'mash Plant shipped 154 carloads of universal ditchers, tractor cotton seeders, and other machines to sovkhos and kolkhozes. The output of tractor seeders in January was four times that of December 1951.

SCORES MANAGEMENT OF TASHSEL'MASH PLANT -- Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 27 Oct 51

In the third quarter of 1951, stoppage of work on using machine tools at the Tashsel'mash imeni Voroshilov amounted to 15 percent of the planned time fund. Nizovoy, Director of the Tashsel'mash Plant, attributes these stoppages to a shortage of workers. However, implementation of measures for mechanizing heavy and labor-consuming tasks has been proceeding at an intolerably slow rate. The plan for mechanizing the mixing of molding and core materials, and the cutting-off and cleaning of castings was fulfilled only 25 percent. At the same time, 60 percent of the plant's pneumatic hammers are out of order. The plan for mechanizing the loading and unloading of railroad cars was fulfilled only 3 percent.

BOOST OUTPUT OF COTTON MACHINERY -- Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 15 Nov 51

Workers of the Tashsel'mash Plant have promised to put out three times as many cotton cleaners in November as they did in October. A new conveyor has been put into operation in shop No. 2 where cotton cleaners are assembled, tripling productivity.

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Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 16 Jan 52

The Tashsel'mash Plant has just produced the first consignment of UFKh-1.5 field cotton cleaners. The machine does a better job of the initial processing of machine-picked cotton than former models, and cleans unopened bolls of cotton. The machine processes 1,500 kilograms of raw cotton per hour.

Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 1 Feb 52

The Tashsel'mash Plant produced twice as many cotton pickers and other machines in 1951 as it did in 1950. In the machine shops alone, 72 multispindle combination lathes were put into operation. Labor productivity was increased 51 percent. The plant saved 5 million rubles and more than 1,000 tons of pig iron and ferrous and nonferrous metals.

TEST NEW COTTON PICKER -- Tashkent, Pravda Vostoka, 19 Sep 51

The Dnepropetrovsk Plant imeni K. Ye. Voroshilov has shipped five experimental cotton pickers to Uzbek SSR for testing. The design of the machine is the result of long, painstaking work by the State Special Design Bureau for Cotton and the Tashsel'mash Plant.

Two years of experience with the SKhM-48 cotton picker on farms and Machine Testing Stations of the cotton-growing republics, and valuable proposals by plant innovators were taken into account when the new picker was designed.

Parts are arranged differently on the new machine. The pipes carrying the raw cotton to the bin and the single blower (instead of the former two blowers) are located on the same level as the driver's seat, which improves visibility. The improved picker is 250-300 kilograms lighter than existing models.

SERIES PRODUCE COTTON PICKER -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 15 Sep 51

The Voronezhsel'mash (Voronezh Agricultural Machine Building) Plant has organized the series production of self-propelled cotton-picking combines

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